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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/832,882) Examiner: E. Elhilo
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Filed: April 12, 2001)
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For: OXIDIZING COMPOSITION AND)
USES FOR DYEING,)
PERMANENTLY SETTING OR)
BLEACHING KERATIN FIBRES)

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Sir:

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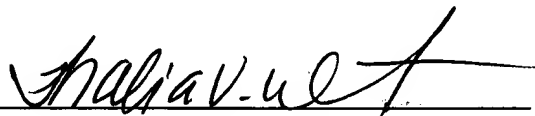
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